

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 720

To amend title 4, United States Code, to authorize the Governor of a State, territory, or possession of the United States to order that the National flag be flown at half-staff in that State, territory, or possession in the event of the death of a member of the Armed Forces from that State, territory, or possession who dies while serving on active duty.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 1, 2007

Mr. LEVIN (for himself and Ms. STABENOW) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Army Specialist Joseph
5 P. Micks Federal Flag Code Amendment Act of 2007”.

1 **SEC. 2. AUTHORITY OF GOVERNORS TO ORDER THE NA-**
 2 **TIONAL FLAG TO BE FLOWN AT HALF-STAFF**
 3 **IN THE EVENT OF THE DEATH OF A MEMBER**
 4 **OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

5 (a) DEATH OF A MEMBER OF THE ARMED
 6 FORCES.—Section 7(m) of title 4, United States Code, is
 7 amended in the sixth sentence by inserting “or the death
 8 of a member of the Armed Forces from any State, terri-
 9 tory, or possession who dies while serving on active duty”
 10 after “present or former official of the government of any
 11 State, territory, or possession of the United States”.

12 (b) FEDERAL FACILITY CONSISTENCY WITH STATE
 13 PROCLAMATION.—Such section is further amended by in-
 14 serting after the sixth sentence the following new sentence:
 15 “When the Governor of a State, territory, or possession
 16 issues a proclamation under the preceding sentence that
 17 the National flag be flown at half-staff because of the
 18 death of a member of the Armed Forces, the National flag
 19 flown at any Federal installation or facility in that State,
 20 territory, or possession shall be flown at half-staff con-
 21 sistent with that proclamation.”.

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